

Patent claims

1. Postcard with a voice message and a player therefor, whereby the postcard is made as an optional postcard (1), one side of which is optionally graphically designed, for instance bearing a photo, and on the other side there is a field for an address and a message field, where an electronic device (2) is placed, intended to receive, store and transmit a voice message, and consists of a microphone, a processing unit, a memory unit and a power source, e.g. a battery, **characterized in that** the electronic device (2) is linked to a manual switch (3) for message recording and a pin (4) for connection with a sound player (5) and a set of switches (6) for the entry of a security pin into the electronic device (2), whereby the entered security pin at the same time acts as a key for the reproduction of a sound recording in the player (5).
2. Postcard according to claim 1, **characterized in that** the switch (3) for manual recording on the postcard and the microphone of the electronic device (2) are covered each with two sheets, positioned one after another, whereby an upper sheet (7) is directly accessible and can only be removed once without any possibility of restoration of the sealing, whereas another sheet (8) lies underneath the sheet (7) functioning as protection of the switch and the microphone against impacts and influences when they are not in operation mode, whereby the sheet (8) can only be partly removed and replaced to its original position to cover the switch or microphone.
3. Postcard according to claims 1 and 2, **characterized in that** switches (6) for the entry of a pin into the electronic device (2) are also covered each by two sheets (7 and 8), whereby the upper sheet (7) acts as a sealing sheet, whereas the lower sheet (8) acts as a security sheet and is replaceable over the switches after the pin is entered into the device (2).

4. Postcard according to claims 1 to 3, **characterized in that** the number of switches 6 is optional, preferably up to 10 switches, 5 with numbers and 5 with letters.
5. Postcard according to claims 1 to 4, **characterized in that** a sound player (5) is an indispensable unit to play the message and that only when the correct pin is entered into the player, said pin being obtained by the receiver from the sender by separate mail.
6. Postcard according to claims 1 to 5, **characterized in that** information from the postcard (1) is transferred into the player (5) via a connector (4) on the postcard.
7. Postcard according to claims 1 to 6, **characterized in that** the player (5) further contains an optional message editor, which edits messages by various criteria, moreover there is a possibility of forwarding the messages to new addresses.
8. Postcard according to claims 1 to 7, **characterized in that** the player (5) allows erasing of a message in the postcard via its message editor in order to render the postcard reusable.